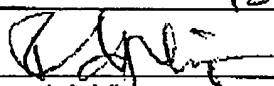


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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on 09/19/2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.